

MASS TIMES AND PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

St. Anne's Tues 11.30am, Sat 9.30	Miha Maori Sun. 1 Kaiwhaiki 11.00am	Patea Sun 1 & 3 9.30am	Waverley Sun 2 & 4 9.30am	St Annes Sat. 9.00—9.20am
St Mary's 9.30am & 6.00pm	Sun. 3 St Mary's 9.30am	Wed 2 & 9.30am	Wed 1 & 3 9.30am	St Mary's Fri 11.00—11.40am
Holy Family Sat. Vigil: 5.30pm	Sun. 4 Jerusalem/Ranana 10.00am (Hiruharama)			Holy Family Sat. 5.00-5.20pm

	ST MARY'S	HOLY FAMILY	ST ANNE'S/OTHERS
MONDAY 13 Nov	7pm Pro-Life Rosary	9.00am Liturgy 4.45pm SVDP 7.30pm Faith Exploration	
TUESDAY 14 Nov	12.05pm Mass	10.00am Mass 4.00pm Legion of Mary	11.30am St Annes Mass Ladies Guild
WED 15 Nov	12.05pm Mass	9.00am Mass	9.30am Waverley Mass
THURSDAY 16 Nov	12.05 pm Mass Exposition follows Mass	9.00am Mass 9.30am Exposition/Craft	9.15am Nazareth Mass
FRIDAY 17 Nov	9am-12pm Exposition 11.00am Reconciliation 11.45am Benediction	9.00am Mass	10.45am Cullinane
SATURDAY 18 Nov		5.00pm Reconciliation 5.30pm Vigil Mass	9.00am Reconciliation 9.30am Mass

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Readings for this week: Wis 6:12-16; I Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

St Paul writes to the Thessalonians to offer them consolation and encouragement concerning those who have died before the imminently expected return of the Lord. He tells them that everyone living or dead will witness the triumphant return of the Lord. This month is a good opportunity for us to ponder our own death. We never know when it will come - but come it will. During the week I discovered a prayer for a happy death. It was written by Blessed John Henry Newman:

Oh, my Lord and Savior, support me in that hour in the strong arms of your Sacraments, and by the fresh fragrance of your consolations.

Let the absolving words be said over me, and the holy oil sign and seal me,
and your own Body be my food, and your Blood my sprinkling;
and let my sweet Mother, Mary, breathe on me, and my Angel whisper peace to me,
and my glorious Saints (NN.) smile upon me;
that in them all, and through them all, I may receive the gift of perseverance,
and die, as I desire to live, in your faith, in your Church,
in your service, and in your love. Amen.

Fr John

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; I Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

The first and second generation of Jesus' followers believed that he would return very soon to take them into eternal life. But the timing became more and more of a question as did how they should live while waiting. It's 20 years or more down the track when Paul reminds his Thessalonian community that, regardless of when the Lord might come, there's the Christian way of life to live - or as Paul puts it: "...let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober." The first reading from Proverbs gives a model to follow. It describes a capable housewife using all her gifts and skills to run a happy home and a profitable business along with responding to the needs of the poor. Matthew's gospel, written at least 25 years after Paul's letter, reinforces the same message that Paul gave his community. Matthew refers to the uncertain timing of Christ's second coming, then zeroes in on what Christians should be doing in the meantime with a parable to make his point clear. Talents were originally coins that were part of the Jewish monetary system. However, the term eventually came to be used for any God-given ability a person possessed. As the story goes, the first two servants "trade" with what they've been given doubling their money while the third, plays it safe, buries his talent and does nothing with it. The sting of the story seems to be in the tail: "To everyone who has," the master says, "more will be given . . . but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away." Matthew's community seems to have interpreted this to mean that only faith which is used for the sake of others will grow into deeper faith. Perhaps we should interpret it in the same way, too.

J B Kendall rsj

Columban 2018 Calendars for sale. \$12.00 each. See Jo in the office.

SVDP Christmas Cards are also available at the office \$2.50 a pack.

Need Extra Prayer ??

The Prayer Vine is made up of a group of 14 Parishioners who will pray for you or your family, and or friends who need extra prayer. Any request is prayed for. Christian names only are used, so it is confidential.

Please call either Maureen Ph 3455480 or Barbara Ph 3425812

The Prayer Tree details are- contact Merle Manson on 344 7652 after 5.00pm each night. Christian names only are used.

Please keep in your prayers those of our parish and school community who are sick, lonely or going through hard times and need our help and comfort. Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of:

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Celso Penaflor (Philippines); Norah Morrissey (Ireland), Margaret O'Connell, Judith Wakeling, Darrain Lumsden (Tauranga), Pat Smith, Fr Patrick Joseph Cumiskey

CONDOLENCES: ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Harriman (25/11), Ronald McDonald (15/11), Rod Stein (30/10), Blair Gleeson (7/11), Barry Bourke (02/11), Verv Ennis (08/11)

MASS OFFERINGS:

Lecrivan & Leddy Families; Davis & Adams families & friends; Tasker & Rothery families; Manson, Dodd, Pinkerton & Town families; Hoskin & Bristol families & friends; Alex Leone, La Pouple, Sheehy, Hodge, Jarret Families; Boland, Benton, Tuohy, Bryan, Bourke, Morrissey, Ryan, Young families; Patrick, Faith & Noeline Haddock; Deceased members of Boyle and Stein Families, Kevin Goodgame (30/6), Fr Eric Urlech, Summerhays, Flynn and Ericsson families, Margaret O'Connell, Judith Wakeling, Pat Smith, Terence McCashin (31/10), Val Nugent birthday (6/11), Knuth & Harris families; Family & friends of Sophie Crawford, Pat Smith

GENERAL BUSINESS

MASS OFFERINGS

CHURCHES

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FAITHSHARING GROUPS

WOMEN'S FAITHSHARING

The next meeting will be held Wednesday 10am at Margaret Haddock, 7 Giligan Close Phone 345 2805 All are welcome.

FAITHSHARING

Rosary and Scripture Wed. 10.30am St Mary's Meeting Room. All welcome.

MOTHER'S COMBINED PARISHES PRAYER GROUP

Fridays 1—2pm 17 Lindsay Crescent. All ages welcome.

MEN'S FAITHSHARING

Fri. 7.00am. Contact Peter ph. 342 5812 for venue.

LEGION OF MARY

Holy Family Church Tuesdays @ 4pm. For more info contact Paul Daws, 344 4828

EVENING: Monday 7.30pm - 9.00pm

Holy Family Meeting Room.

MORNING: Tuesday 10.30am - 12.15pm

St Mary's Community Room

The topic will be

""What is Evil"

Hosts: Mary Wood 344 3552,

Nancie & Brian Quigley 347 8177

Jo Smillie 345 0609 (Morning Group)

Led by Sr John Bosco Kendall rsj

You're all welcome to attend.

SOCIAL GROUPS

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Holy Family Conference meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month at 4.45pm. ph: Kevin Foley on 345 0542. Or 345 0161.

St Annes/St Marys Conference meet 1st and 3rd Wed of month at 5pm. Contact Marianne Vine 3450281

HOLY FAMILY CRAFT GROUP

Meet weekly on Thursdays at 9.30am. For further information phone Shirley on 344 6365

ST MARYS CRAFT GROUP

Meet every second Sunday of the month in St Marys Church foyer 2-4. Contact Marianne 3450281 or Richelle 3452652.

LADIES GUILD GROUPS

St. Anne's

Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Ring Kay Wilkinson Ph. 343 3367

MAINLY MUSIC

Contact Anne 3446569 Facebook:Mainly music-st annes

FOCOLARE

Monthly meeting on 4th Sunday of month at 1.30 at Anne's Place, 58 Bedford Ave, Ph: 3454709

All Welcome



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Tui Motu Group

Tui Motu, an Independent Catholic Magazine, will challenge us to look with fresh eyes, with gospel eyes, at current social, ecological and spiritual values. Come along and contribute to the **discussion-inter-church and inter-faith dialogue** is welcomed. Wednesday 15 November, 4.30 – 6pm, with Sr Rita Cahill rsj

Liturgy

Sunday 19 November, 4 – 5pm
To register please call Pam on 3455047 ext 3
or email pam.hopper@sosj.org.au

MARAE TIME

at Te Rau Oriwa Marae. The Drop-in Centre is open 9-1pm every Monday to Thursday. Nau Mai, Haere Mai. All Welcome.



Please note: newsletter items need to be in by Wednesday pm to make print that week.

Thank you.

AGM

All parishioners are invited to attend the Parish AGM after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday 26 November.

The financial information made available today is designed to give everyone an idea of where the parish income is derived and how it is spent.

The AGM looks primarily at what has happened during the year. The future direction of our parish will be discussed at the Parish Focus Meeting on 28 January.

I encourage everyone to get involved as much as they can in providing the Leadership team with ideas and pastoral initiatives to energize and foster the mission of the Church in Whanganui.



Happy 80th birthday to Barbara Vine and Ken McGifford

We hope you have a lovely day celebrating with family and friends.

Baptisms in our Parish

Congratulations to Emma Cooper and Jamie Adamson and their families. Emma and Jamie were baptised on Saturday 4th November at St Marys.



Cullinane College

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Last Monday was a wonderful occasion as we celebrated our Leavers' Mass, Sports Prize Giving and Academic Prize Giving. We certainly appreciated Fr Marcus and Fr Don Don's support in concelebrating the Mass. This coming week is another busy one for us.

Junior students will have their final exams on Monday.

The external NCEA exams are full on this week for our Seniors. Some Senior students will be participating in Health and Safety and Driver Licence Courses over this next week and the Extension Programme continues.

On Friday we will host our Year 9 cohort for 2018 in an orientation day. Our Year 10 leaders are looking forward to helping with this.

The Junior Model United Nations is on Friday too.

We will have Mass on Friday, prepared by 10KO. This will be held in Room 19 (next to the chapel).

FUN, FAITH, FRIENDSHIP and FREEDOM

YOUTH FOR CHRIST OPEN DAY

Aged 13-21 18 November 2017, Saturday 1-4pm

St. Anne's Catholic Church 47 Raine St., Whanganui East

Become a joyful, responsible and fruitful men and women

Organised by Youth For Christ (a Ministry of the Couples for Christ Whanganui)

Contact: Jonas Hernandez 0220934954

Community Spirit Concert

Wanganui Community Choir and City Sounds New Plymouth concert on 18th November at 2pm at St Marys Church. Bookings at Opera House. Adults \$20.00 Seniors \$15.00 Students \$10.00 Children under 12 Free

OUR SCHOOLS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

WHAT'S UP?

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

Principal: Jacqui Luxton

DRS: Cath Daignault

30 London St. Wanganui
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Email: school@stmarys.ac.nz

Exciting news for our school family this week with Mr Chris Scudder, his wife Catherine and daughter Esme welcoming a new member to their family with the birth of George on Sunday.

Congratulations to the Scudder family and we ask you all to keep them in your prayers.

Our school is busy leading up to the end of year.

All our classes are focusing on Athletics with Athletic days being planned for the different levels. We are also planning our concert items and beginning practice sessions. We have some exciting events coming up, including hosting residents from some of our old folks homes for a concert and cuppa, having twilight Christmas carols and sausage sizzle with our school community and class trips to both Bushy Park and Kowhai Park.

We will keep you up to date with the dates for these events closer to the time.

ST. Marcellin School

Principal: Maia Williams

Acting DRS: Korty Wilson

Totara St. Wanganui.

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Brothers and sister in Christ, Congratulations to our Super 6 touch rugby teams for outstanding skills and sportsmanship shown last Tuesday. Thank you also to our parents who coached these teams, your support is vital and always appreciated.

School athletics, Wednesday 15 Nov, at St Marcellin school, starting 9.30am.

Come and support the children who have been training each week for this event.

St Marcellin School Celebration of Learning Evening, Wednesday 22 Nov, at Collegiate college auditorium, doors open 6pm.

God bless, Maia Williams.

ST. ANNE'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Principal: Karl Zimmerman
DRS: Jo Gichard.

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This Sunday we celebrate our final school mass for 2018. Our year 8 students have planned and will lead this mass with Fr Marcus at St Anne's church.

We thank them for their work in taking time to plan this special mass. We also thank the Special Character review team for their time and commitment to our special Character in the review earlier this week.

They enjoyed being part of our school for the three days.

Special thanks to Jo Gichard for her preparation for this review and to all our staff for the effort and work they give to the children at St Anne's Catholic School.

Christmas Mass times 2017

Sunday 24th December

9.30am Mass St Marys

9.30am Patea/Waverley

Vigil 7.00pm @ St Marys

9.30pm @ Holy Family

Monday 25th December

9.00am @ St Marys

9.30am @ Kaiwhaiki

9.30am @ Patea/Waverley



"Hibernian Catholic Benefit Society – St Patrick's Branch 400

Third Quarterly Meeting: 4.00pm, Monday 20 November 2017 in the Gathering Area, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit, 197 Broadway Avenue, Palmerston North.

Visitors or anyone interested in becoming a member are most welcome.

Enquiries to Kevin Frost, Secretary, Tel (06) 3577844 or email kfassociates@xtra.co.nz

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OUR FAITH